

Psalme 108

Chrift (by the mouth of Daud) requesteth of God to be iustly declared innocent, and his enimies punished, 6. particularly describing Iudas the traitors malice, 21. and his owne temporal afflictions, 26. prayeth, 30. and praiseth God for his deliuerie.

Chrift
perfecuted &
his enimies
punished.
The 5. key.

Vnto the end, a Pfalme of Daud.

O ^{a)}God conceale not my prayfe: becaufe the mouth of the finner, and the mouth of ^{b)}the deceitful man is open vpon me.

² They ^{c)}haue spoken againft me with deceitful tongue, and with wordes of hatred they haue compaffed me: and they haue impugned me without caufe.

³ For that they should loue me, they backbited me: but I prayed.

⁴ And they fet againft me euil thinges for good: and hatred for my loue.

⁵ Appoint ^{d)}a finner ouer him: and ^{e)}let the diuel stand on his righthand.

⁶ When he is iudged, let him come forth condemned: and let his prayer be turned into finne.

Act. 2. v. 16.

⁷ Let his dayes be made fewe: and let an other take his ^{f)}bishopricke.

⁸ Let ^{g)}his children be made orphans: and his wife a widow.

^a The wordes of Chrift.

^b The Pharifees and Herodians (*Mat. 22.*) with their mouth acknowledged Chrift a true fpeaker, and a teacher of the way of God in truth, therby to draw him into danger, and to fheede his bloud.

^c At other times they accused him of great crimes, laftly of treafon againft Cæfar.

^d A prediction that Iudas would not make recourfe to anie good counfeller, but complaine of his miserable tormented confcience to the wicked, who gaue him no comfort at al,

^e and fo departing, the diuel perfwaded him to hang himfelfe.

^f The office of Apoftleshippe.

^g The pofteritie, or fucceffors of wicked perfecuters prosper not long in this world.

⁹ Let his children be tranſported wandering, and let them begge: and let them be caſt out of their habitations.

¹⁰ Let the vſurer ſearch al his ſubſtance: and let ſtrangers ſpoile his labours.

¹¹ Let there be none to helpe him: neither let there be anie to haue pittie on his pupilles.

¹² Let his children come to deſtruction: in ^a)one generation let his name be cleane put out.

¹³ Let the iniquitie of his fathers returne to memorie in the fight of our Lord: and let not the finne of his mother be blotted out.

¹⁴ Let them be before our Lord alwayes, and let the memorie of them periſh out of the earth: ¹⁵ For that he remembred not to doe mercie.

¹⁶ And he perfecuted the poore, and needie man, and the compunct in hart to kil him.

¹⁷ And he ^b)loued curſing, and it ſhal come to him: and he would not bleſſing, and it ſhal be far from him.

And he put on curſing as a garment; and it entred as water into his inner partes, and as oile in his bones.

¹⁸ Be it to him as a garment, wherwith he is couered: and as a girdle, wherwith he is alwayes girded.

¹⁹ This is the worke of them, that detract from me before our Lord: and that ſpeake euils againſt my ſoule.

²⁰ And thou, Lord, Lord, doe with me for thy names ſake: becauſe thy mercie is fwete.

Deliuſe me ²¹ becauſe I am needie, and poore: and ^c)my hart is trubled within me.

²² As a ſhadow when it declineth, am I taken away: and I am ſhaken as locuſtes.

²³ My knees are weakened with faſting: and my fleſh is changed by reaſon of oile.

^a Arch heritikes that deuife newe opinions, are ſhortly forſaken, their folowers ſtil coining new hereſies of their owne, differing from their falſe maſters.

^b Let them obſerue this, that vſe more fwearing and blaſpheming, then praying or meditating.

^c Chriſts ſoule was penſiue when he prayed in the garden, and he did workes of penance for our finnes al his life.

²⁴ And I am made a reproch to them: they faw me,
and wagged their heades.

²⁵ Helpe me ô Lord my God: ^a)faue me according
to thy mercie.

²⁶ And let them know that this is thy hand: and
thou ô Lord haft done it.

²⁷ They wil curfe, and thou shalt bleffe: let them
that rife vp againft me, be confounded: but thy feruant
shal reioyce.

²⁸ Let them that detract from me, be clothed with
shame: and let them be couered with their confufion, as
with a ^b)duble patched cloke.

²⁹ I wil confeffe to our Lord excedingly with my
mouth: and in the middes of manie I wil prayfe him:

³⁰ Because he hath ftood on the righthand of the
poore, that he might faue my foule from the perfecutors.

^a He prayed alfo for his refurrection, and glorification.

^b VVith al poffible confufion.